

In re Tsurufuji  
09/517,009

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

The Examiner is thanked for the Examiner's Answer and Appeal Conference Information Work Sheet. It is now apparent as a result of the Appeal Conference claim 9 remains the sole issue on appeal. In the interest of advancing prosecution, Applicant hereby cancels claim 9 in favor of claims 1-8. With not further rejection or objection, claims 1-8 are now believed to be in condition for allowance, and notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe further discussion regarding the above claim language would expedite prosecution they are invited to contact the undersigned at the number listed below.

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